

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

ANDREA VARGAS,

Plaintiff,

Case No. C21-926RSL

V.

ORDER SETTING TRIAL DATE & RELATED DATES

EVERGREEN PROFESSIONAL RECOVERIES, INC.,

Defendant.

TRIAL DATE

August 8, 2023

Settlement conference¹ held no later than

July 2, 2023

All motions in limine must be filed by and noted on the motion calendar no earlier than the second Friday thereafter. Replies will be accepted.

July 3, 2023

Agreed pretrial order due

July 18, 2023

Trial briefs and trial exhibits due

August 1, 2023

Length of Trial: 1 day

Non Jury

These dates are set by the Court. All other dates are specified in the Local Civil Rules. If

any of the dates identified in this Order or the Local Civil Rules fall on a weekend or federal holiday, the act or event shall be performed on the next business day. These are firm dates that

¹ The Court reminds the parties that the sole issue remaining in this case is the question of damages as to plaintiff's Fair Debt Collection Practices Act ("FDCPA") claims against defendant Evergreen.

1 can be changed only by order of the Court, not by agreement of counsel or the parties. The
2 Court will alter these dates only upon good cause shown.

3 If the damages trial date assigned to this matter creates an irreconcilable conflict, counsel
4 must notify Teri Roberts, the judicial assistant, at 206-370-8810 within 10 days of the date of this
5 Order and must set forth the exact nature of the conflict. A failure to do so will be deemed a
6 waiver. Counsel must be prepared to begin trial on the date scheduled, but it should be
7 understood that the trial may have to await the completion of other cases.

8 The settlement conference requires a face-to-face meeting or a telephone conference
9 between persons with authority to settle the case. The settlement conference does not have to
10 involve a third-party neutral.

11 ALTERATIONS TO ELECTRONIC FILING PROCEDURES AND LOCAL RULES

12 Information and procedures for electronic filing can be found on the Western District of
13 Washington's website at www.wawd.uscourts.gov. *Pro se* litigants may file either
14 electronically or in paper form. The following alterations to the Electronic Filing Procedures
15 apply in all cases pending before Judge Lasnik:

16 – Alteration to LCR 10(e)(9) - Effective July 1, 2014, the Western District of Washington
17 will no longer accept courtesy copies in 3-ring binders. All courtesy copies must be 3-hole
18 punched, tabbed, and bound by rubber bands or clips. If any courtesy copies are delivered to the
19 intake desk or chambers in 3-ring binders, the binders will be returned immediately. This policy
20 does **NOT** apply to the submission of trial exhibits.

21 – Alteration to Section III, Paragraph M of the Electronic Filing Procedures - Unless the
22 proposed order is stipulated, agreed, or otherwise uncontested, the parties need not e-mail a copy
23 of the order to the judge's e-mail address.

– Pursuant to LCR 10(e)(10), all references in the parties’ filings to exhibits should be as specific as possible (*i.e.*, the reference should cite the specific page numbers, paragraphs, line numbers, etc.). All exhibits must be marked to designate testimony or evidence referred to in the parties’ filings. Filings that do not comply with LCR 10(e) may be rejected and/or returned to the filing party, particularly if a party submits lengthy deposition testimony without highlighting or other required markings.

– Alteration to LCR 7(d)(4) - Any motion *in limine* must be filed by the date set forth above and noted on the motion calendar no earlier than the second Friday thereafter. Any response is due on or before the Wednesday before the noting date. Parties may file and serve reply memoranda, not to exceed nine pages in length, on or before the noting date.

PRIVACY POLICY

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2 and LCR 5.2, parties must redact the following information from documents and exhibits before they are filed with the court:

- * Dates of Birth - redact to the year of birth
 - * Names of Minor Children - redact to the initials
 - * Social Security Numbers and Taxpayer Identification Numbers - redact in their entirety
 - * Financial Accounting Information - redact to the last four digits
 - * Passport Numbers and Driver License Numbers - redact in their entirety

All documents filed in the above-captioned matter must comply with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2 and LCR 5.2.

COOPERATION

As required by LCR 37(a), all discovery matters are to be resolved by agreement if possible. Counsel are further directed to cooperate in preparing the final pretrial order in the format required by LCR 16.1, except as ordered below.

1 TRIAL EXHIBITS

2 The original and one copy of the trial exhibits are to be delivered to chambers five days
3 before the trial date. Each exhibit shall be clearly marked. Exhibit tags are available in the
4 Clerk's Office. The Court hereby alters the LCR 16.1 procedure for numbering exhibits:
5 plaintiff's exhibits shall be numbered consecutively beginning with 1; defendant's exhibits shall
6 be numbered consecutively beginning with 500. Duplicate documents shall not be listed twice:
7 once a party has identified an exhibit in the pretrial order, any party may use it. Each set of
8 exhibits shall be submitted in a three-ring binder with appropriately numbered tabs.

9 SETTLEMENT

10 Should this case settle, counsel shall notify the Deputy Clerk, Victoria Erickson at 206-
11 370-8517, as soon as possible. Pursuant to LCR 11(b), an attorney who fails to give the Deputy
12 Clerk prompt notice of settlement may be subject to such discipline as the Court deems
13 appropriate.

14 DATED this 1st day of June, 2023.

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17 Robert S. Lasnik
United States District Judge